IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application Of:

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For:

MASK SEAL INTERFACE

Aldo A. LAGHI

Examiner:

Peter D. MULCAHY

Group Art Unit:

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND ELECTION OF SPECIES

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action mailed March 26, 2008, Applicant elects for initial prosecution Claims 27-30, directed to a face-seal interface for a respiratory mask, preserving its right to present claims 1-26 either subsequently in this prosecution or in divisional applications. Applicant further elects for examination that of species six on Table 1 in paragraph 43 of the the additive Pentaerythritol Tetrakis (3-(3 ,5-di-tert-butyl-4directed to application, hydroxyphenyl)propionate). Applicant notes the Examiner's statement that all claims are generic to all of the species set forth, so that allowance of one of the generic claims noted above in the restriction requirement will entitle Applicant to consideration of claims to additional species.

It is believed that no fee is due. If it is determined that a fee is required, please charge the required fee(s) to Deposit Account No. 03-0683.

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